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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Health Resources and Services Administration

Agency Information Collection Activities: Submission to OMB for Review and Approval;

Public Comment Request

AGENCY: Health Resources and Services Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In compliance with Section 3507(a)(1)(D) of the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, the Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) has submitted an Information Collection Request (ICR) to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for review and approval. Comments submitted during the first public review of this ICR will be provided to OMB. OMB will accept further comments from the public during the review and approval period.

DATES: Comments on this ICR should be received no later than [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Submit your comments, including the Information Collection Request Title, to the desk officer for HRSA, either by email to <u>OIRA_submission@omb.eop.gov</u> or by fax to 202-395-5806.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: To request a copy of the clearance requests submitted to OMB for review, email the HRSA Information Collection Clearance Officer at paperwork@hrsa.gov or call (301) 443-1984.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Information Collection Request Title: Health Professions Student Loan (HPSL) Program and Nursing Student Loan (NSL) Program Administrative Requirements (Regulations and Policy).

OMB No. 0915-0047- Extension

Abstract: The statutory authorities for the Health Professions Student Loan (HPSL) Program, as authorized by Public Health Service (PHS) Act sections 721-722, and 725-735, and the Nursing Student Loan (NSL) Program, as authorized by PHS Act sections 835-842, contain a number of recordkeeping and reporting requirements for academic institutions and loan applicants. The applicable regulations for these programs under 42 CFR part 57 details the various requirements (see chart below).

Need and Proposed Use of the Information: The requirements are essential for assuring that borrowers are aware of their rights and responsibilities, academic institutions have accurate

records of the history and status of each loan account in order to pursue aggressive collection efforts to reduce default rates, and that academic institutions maintain adequate records for audit and assessment purposes to help the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services safeguard federal funds made through the Federal Capital Contribution (FCC). Academic institutions are free to use improved information technology to manage the information required by the regulations.

Likely Respondents: Financial Aid Directors working at institutions participating in the HPSL and NSL Programs.

Burden Statement: Burden in this context means the time expended by persons to generate, maintain, retain, disclose or provide the information requested. This includes the time needed to review instructions; to develop, acquire, install and utilize technology and systems for the purpose of collecting, validating and verifying information, processing and maintaining information, and disclosing and providing information; to train personnel and to be able to respond to a collection of information; to search data sources; to complete and review the collection of information; and to transmit or otherwise disclose the information. The total annual burden hours estimated for this ICR are summarized in the table below.

Total Estimated Annualized Burden - Hours

RECORDKEEPING REQUIREMENTS

Regulatory/section requirements	Number of Record keepers	Hours per year	Total Burden Hours
HPSL Program:			

57.206(b)(2), Documentation of			
Cost of Attendance	50	325	16,250
57.208(a), Promissory Note	90	325	29,250
57.210((b)(1)(i), Documentation of			
Entrance Interview	40	325	13,000
57.210(b)(1)(ii), Documentation of			
Exit Interview	80	334	26,720
57.215(a)&(d), Program Records	140	334	46,760
57.215(b), Student Records	70	334	23,380
57.215(c), Repayment Records	150	334	50,100
HPSL Subtotal			205,460

Regulatory/section requirements	Number of Record keepers	Hours per year	Total Burden Hours	
NSL Program:	Record Recipers		Hours	
57.306(b)(2)(ii), Documentation of				
Cost of Attendance	16.0	282	4,512	
57.308(a), Promissory Note	4.5	282	1,269	
57.310(b)(1)(i), Documentation of				
Entrance Interview	1.5	282	423	
57.310(b)(1)(ii), Documentation of				
Exit Interview	1.5	348	522	
57.315(a)(1)&(a)(4), Program				
Records	21.0	348	7,308	
57.315(a)(2), Student Records	8.5	348	2,958	
57.315(a)(3), Repayment Records	5.0	348	1,740	
NSL Subtotal			18,732	

*Includes active and closing schools.

HPSL data includes active and closing Loans for Disadvantaged Students (LDS) program schools.

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS

Regulatory/section requirements	Number of	Responses	Total	Hours	Total
	Respondents	per Respondent	annual responses	per response	hour burden
HPSL Program:					
57.206(a)(2), Student					
Financial Aid Transcript	n/a				
57.208(c), Loan					
Information Disclosure	325	299.5	97,338	0.63	60,836
57.210(b)(1)(i), Entrance					
Interview	325	139.5	45,338	0.50	22,669

57.210(b)(1)(ii), Exit					
Interview	334	113.5	37,909	1.00	37,909
57.210(b)(1)(iii), Notification					
of Repayment	334	862.5	288,075	0.38	108,028
57.210(b)(1)(iv), Notification					
During Deferment	334	17.0	5,678	0.63	3,549
57.210(b)(1)(vi), Notification					
of Delinquent Accounts	334	172.5	57,615	1.25	72,019
57.210(b)(1)(x), Credit					
Bureau Notification	334	6	2,004	0.50	1,002
57.210(b)(4)(i), Write-off of					
Uncollectible Loans	5	1	5	3.00	15
57.211(a) Disability					
Cancellation	3	1	3	1.00	3
57.215(a)(2), Administrative					
Hearings	0	0	0	0	0
57.215(a)(d), Administrative					
Hearings	0	0	0	0	0
HPSL Subtotal					306,029

REPORTING REQUIREMENTS Continued

Regulatory/section requirements	Number of Respondents	Responses per Respondent	Total annual responses	Hours per response	Total hour burden
NSL Program:		-	•	•	
57.306(a)(2), Student					
Financial Aid Transcript					
57.310(b)(1)(i), Entrance					
Interview	282	17.5	4,935	0.42	2,048
57.310(b)(1)(ii), Exit					
Interview	348	9.0	3,132	0.42	1,300
57.301(b)(1)(iii), Notification					
of Repayment	348	9.0	3,132	0.27	830
57.310(b)(1)(iv), Notification					
During Deferment	348	1.5	522	0.29	151
57.310(b)(1)(vi), Notification					
of Delinquent Accounts	348	42.5	14,790	0.04	592
57.310(b)(1)(x), Credit					
Bureau Notification	348	709.0	246,732	0.00	86
57.310(b)(4)(i), Write-off of					
Uncollectible Loans	23	1.0	23	3.00	69
57.311(a), Disability					
Cancellation	16	1.0	16	1.00	16

57.315(a)(1)(ii),					
Administrative Hearings	0	0	0	0	0
57.316(a)(d), Administrative					
Hearings	0	0	0	0	0
NSL Subtotal					5,092

^{*}Includes active and closing schools.

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